

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 27 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 at 00:20

Confidence: High confidence for the overall story and for a fine day Monday. Lower confidence for the exact timing and intensity of rain bands Tuesday and Wednesday.

Headline for Sunday 26 Mar 2023: Cloud and rain clearing mid-morning. Drier afternoon with bright spells and a slight chance of isolated showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Heavy Rain	Drizzle	Dull	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
80%	70%	30%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Weather: Poor conditions initially, as a band of cloud and persistent rain across the Park gradually clears away to the south-east. Some heavy downpours are possible for a few hours around dawn. Frontal cloud will clear away to leave a fine afternoon with lengthy bright or sunny spells. However, there is a slight chance of the odd shower developing. These showers could be a wintry mix, giving snow above about 500m. Skies largely clear overnight. Moderate to fresh north-easterly winds will gradually ease, becoming a generally light north to north north-westerly breeze by evening. Feeling much cooler than late in the northerly winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% improving from the west to 80% by the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud likely in association with the frontal band of rain and drizzle, with bases of 300-500m, perhaps lower around southernmost peaks. Cloud clearing and lifting above the summits by afternoon with few amounts. In the vicinity of any showers, broken cloud bases may lower to around 600m for a brief period. Visibility moderate or poor in morning rain and drizzle, becoming good to excellent by the afternoon outside of showers. Poor in any wintry showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	10/12 NE	19/26 NE	17/23 NE	13/19 N	10/15 N	9/12 NE	7/9 NE
300	4/8 NE	11/23 NE	11/21 NE	9/17 NE	6/13 N	4/9 NE	3/6 NE
Valley	2/7 NE	9/20 NE	9/20 NE	8/16 NE	6/13 N	3/8 NE	2/6 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-1	4/-1	4/-1	5/1	4/0	2/-2	1/-2
300	5/3	6/2	7/4	8/6	6/4	4/2	3/2
Valley	5/4	7/4	8/6	9/7	7/5	5/4	3/2
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	800m	700m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Waterproofs may become soaked for a while if walking early-on, but likely to have a chance to dry off as rain clears. Surfaces are likely to be slippery through the morning, and some watercourses may be swollen. Feeling cooler than of late, especially in blustery northerly winds across peaks from mid-morning.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Sun 26 Mar 2023	13.4mm	20.8mm	27.8mm

Forecast for Monday 27 Mar 2023

Weather: A ridge of high pressure gives fine and settled conditions Monday. Largely dry and bright day with little cloud and light winds. It will likely be a cold and frosty start, perhaps seeing some icy stretches, especially across the higher peaks. Very little cloud through the day, with prolonged bright or sunny spells. High cloud will build from the west during the evening.

Maximum wind: Variable 5-10mph. Becoming southerly 15-20mph through the afternoon with 25-30mph gusts. Winds are expected to strengthen further overnight into Tuesday.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 90% or greater, very little cloud around.

Low cloud and visibility: Very little, if any, low cloud expected. Visibility excellent with good views of distant hills likely.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 1 Celsius increasing Plus 8 Celsius.

At 600m: Minus 1 Celsius rising Plus 3 Celsius.

Freezing level: Just below highest summits at first, rising to 1000m.